

REMARKS

Applicants submit the following Preliminary Amendment with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE). This is in response to the Advisory Action mailed January 31, 2007.

In the Advisory Action, the Examiner did not accept amended claims 1 and 41, indicating that further searching would be required. In order to advance the prosecution, Applicants submit the present Preliminary Amendment, updating the language to more accurately reflect the original language of claims 38 and 39. Claim 1 has been amended to mirror the combination of claims 1, 38 and 39. Claim 41 has been amended to include the recited limitations of the method steps of claims 38 and 39.

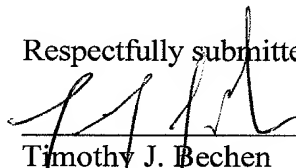
As the Examiner previously indicated allowable subject based upon the inclusion of the limitations of claims 38 and 39 into claim 1, Applicants submit the present claims are in condition for allowance. Additionally, claim 36 was previously indicated as allowable.

Therefore, Applicants request examination and passage of the present claims to allowance.

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